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To: State Management Team

From: Deputy State Director, Division of Support Services

Subject: Delegated Authority to Waive Dual Compensation Reduction in Support of Wildland

Firefighting Operations

This memorandum transmits the attached Office of the Assistant Secretary Memorandum, dated August 26, 2005. The waiver authority will allow annuitants, who are reemployed in direct support of critical wildland firefighting operations during Preparedness Level 4 or 5, to retain their annuity and receive regular pay. The authority is limited to certain mission critical positions listed in Attachment 2. Please review the attached memorandum for specific situations in which the waiver applies. Please note that the last paragraph on page 1 of the memorandum states that annuitants may be offered a waiver in order to receive up to "800 hours" of refresher training before deployment. The sentence should, instead, read "80 hours."

Managers interested in hiring an annuitant under this authority should contact Joli Pavelis, Human Resources Specialist, in the Branch of Human Resources Management, at 406-896-5240, to discuss advantages/disadvantages and to ensure the appropriate processing of required paperwork.

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1 Attachment

1-Office of the Assistant Secretary Memorandum (14 pp in its entirety)

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